

“The Lamb,” “The Tyger,” “The Chimney Sweeper,” and “Infant Sorrow” by William Blake
Vocabulary Builder

Using the Root -spir-

A. DIRECTIONS: Each of the following sentences includes an italicized word that contains the word root *-spir-*, which means “breath” or “life.” Fill in each blank with a word or phrase to complete the sentence and reveal the meaning of the italicized word.

1. If the young woman is *spirited*, she _____.
2. If he was *dispirited* by the bad news, he _____.
3. If we waited to see what would *transpire*, we _____.
4. If the council member’s term *expired*, it _____.
5. If the poem *inspires* the reader, it _____.

Using the Word List

vales	symmetry	aspire
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B. DIRECTIONS: Match each word in the left column with its definition in the right column. Write the letter of the definition on the line next to the word it defines.

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| <p>___ 1. vales</p> <p>___ 2. symmetry</p> <p>___ 3. aspire</p> | <p>A. balance of forms</p> <p>B. hollows</p> <p>C. seek after</p> |
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C. DIRECTIONS: Complete each sentence by filling in the blank with one of the words from the word bank.

1. The rolling hills and grassy _____ were the landscape of his earliest memories.
2. Early on he learned to appreciate the veins of leaves, the wings of butterflies—in short, all of nature’s _____.
3. With all of these influences it was only natural that he would _____ to become a nature photographer.